

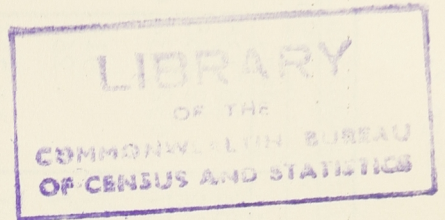
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This Bulletin, issued by the Acting Commonwealth Statistician, shows the monthly factory production in Victoria of certain commodities. For the purpose of the accompanying statistics a "factory" is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more hands are employed or in which power other than hand is used. Monthly averages for the years 1949-50, 1950-51, 1951-52 and 1952-53 and monthly production for December, 1952 to February, 1953 and December, 1953 to February, 1954 are shown.

Many of the items included here are shown in greater detail in other publications of the Bureau.

Figures of the production of each of the commodities listed are given up to the latest available month. Figures up to 1951-52 inclusive are taken from the Government Statist's annual factory returns wherever possible. It should be noted that in some cases annual returns are accepted from factories for periods other than those ending on June 30th, each year.

The scope of the Bulletin will be widened from time to time to include new information as it becomes available.

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SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Statistics of the following items are collected by the Authorities shown. All other items are collected by the Commonwealth or State Statistician.

Superphosphate	Commonwealth Department of Commerce and Agriculture.
Black Coal	Joint Coal Board.
Gold	State Department of Mines.
Beer Tobacco, Cigars & Cigarettes	Commonwealth Department of Trade and Customs.
Sawn Native Timber	
	Forestry and Timber Bureau.

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		Year				1952	1953			1954	
		1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
FUEL: Briquettes	ton	49,047	42,617	47,354	45,422	38,285	42,489	48,321	38,038	38,138	47,805
Black Coal	"	10,762	10,430	12,023	12,933	10,689	11,244	r 13,979	8,912	12,068	
Brown Coal	"	636,410	608,347	674,692	675,113	595,647	610,259	r 635,164	624,497	632,434	651,871
HEAT, LIGHT & POWER:											
Gas made in Gasworks	mill.cub.ft.	896	954	1,044	1,100	999	907	873	1,007	919	931
Total Electricity Generated	mill.k.w.h.	226	240	247	264	242	233	239	277	267	274
BUILDING MATERIALS:											
Clay Bricks	'000	12,240	14,880	15,434	13,544	11,872	10,632	12,826	14,801	13,776	14,992
Fibrous Plaster Sheets	'000 sq.yds.	504	551	610	512	436	400	r 516	439	357	521
Roofing Tiles - Cement	'000	1,595	1,894	1,934	1,363	1,074	920	1,295	1,247	910	1,374
Terra Cotta	"	1,023	1,025	1,035	1,212	1,020	891	1,235	1,049	976	1,207
SAWN NATIVE TIMBER:	'000 sup.ft.	25,733	27,470	29,113	23,855	16,535	19,377	26,116	20,611	16,818	
CHEMICALS & ALLIED PRODUCTS:											
Paints - Ready Mixed Paint	gal.	100,095	121,956	120,943	r 97,972	99,447	84,077	113,622	125,295	89,438	119,212
Lacquers (Nitro-Cell)	"	20,996	27,146	23,633	r 17,501	17,914	13,676	23,930	21,332	16,426	21,223
Thinners for Lacquers	"	30,603	37,738	39,165	37,487	35,359	31,541	47,491	44,754	36,396	42,125
Enamels (Nat. & Syn.)	"	42,821	39,130	48,464	44,055	48,599	33,241	r 44,867	53,578	40,776	49,606
Water Paints	'000 lb.	117	118	157	r 386	413	443	519	797	597	735
Soap - Household	cwt.	16,745	18,589	18,748	16,823	13,916	12,093	18,159	10,736	7,957	10,179
Toilet & Hand	"	3,798	4,650	4,519	3,748	3,086	3,586	4,602	2,785	1,781	2,885
Flakes & Chips	"	1,715	2,763	2,310	2,528	1,963	1,178	2,655	5,371	1,508	2,707
Industrial	"	2,523	5,268	3,148	2,726	2,585	2,027	r 3,116	2,836	1,949	3,160
Sand	"	750	1,120	890	661	723	321	268	351	539	785
Soft	"	522	650	729	568	485	446	392	863	641	613
Liquid	"	1,369	2,333	2,818	2,469	2,426	2,367	2,440	2,774	1,943	2,848
Extracts & Powders	"	22,265	25,782	32,485	30,883	28,470	23,861	34,240	27,295	18,304	31,016
Superphosphate	ton	52,069	51,257	52,750	47,616	47,709	36,563	39,983	54,729	47,529	51,660
Sulphuric Acid (100%)	"	19,836	20,165	20,234	18,538	17,580	14,174	16,957	19,179	19,164	20,684
METALS: - Gold (Mine Production)	fine oz.	5,532	5,809	5,343	5,812	7,130	4,447	6,169	4,932	4,525	
PERAMBULATORS: (Inc.Pushers & Strollers)	number	4,051	4,577	3,277	3,823	3,842	2,519	3,966	4,981	2,736	4,317

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		Year				1952	1953		1954		
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MATTRESSES:											
Woven Wire, Link Mesh & Spring (a)	Number	5,694	6,158	6,679	7,659	8,581	4,998	9,310	8,491	5,685	7,722
Inner Spring	"	5,115	6,619	7,725	9,384	10,718	7,668	10,962	12,904	7,805	11,367
Soft Filled	"	9,974	10,950	9,027	8,310	8,329	6,222	9,095	(6,863	3,518	5,770
Rubber	"								(959	725	944
Other	"								(2,828	522	1,016
ENGINES: - Other than Marine - Petrol and											
Other Light Oils - 2 H.P. and under 6 H.P.	"	383	379	371	360	339	293	515	214	n.a.	n.a.
ELECTRIC MOTORS: (b)											
Under 1 H.P.	"	4,971	6,549	8,260	7,764	6,830	4,668	7,866	11,673	7,727	12,946
1 H.P. and under 2½ H.P.	"	828	734	610	434	291	503	219	779	319	570
2½ " " 5 H.P.	"	429	371	312	167	114	170	132	160	101	210
5 " " 10 H.P.	"	122	173	172	103	108	58	121	71	38	119
10 " and over	"	43	42	52	43	45	19	47	41	27	43
ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES:											
Toasters (Domestic)	"	7,370	6,991	7,308	6,021	7,483	4,793	7,236	7,268	5,537	5,061
Hot Water Jugs (Complete)	"	12,431	11,953	12,437	6,852	7,289	3,441	9,782	12,470	6,459	9,005
Radios and Radiograms	"	8,181	10,956	7,639	7,803	6,539	5,327	8,215	9,681	6,692	8,360
Domestic Clothes Washing Machines	"	n.a.	364	624	699	891	385	745	1,006	793	965
BUILDING FITTINGS:											
Stoves - Solid Fuel	"	1,115	1,360	1,307	1,094	882	634	1,040	918	652	947
Gas	"	1,393	1,357	1,107	900	889	650	873	873	596	810
Coppers - Gas	"	810	836	577	533	375	359	628	499	300	471
Electric	"	326	840	468	226	244	n.a.	192	246	206	322
Bath Heaters - Solid Fuel	"	798	794	752	528	453	328	480	509	354	435
Gas	"	850	717	551	557	338	401	613	578	477	589
Electric	"	41	370	263	241	235	140	230	169	147	191
Sink Heaters - Electric	"	467	750	476	348	348	205	271	323	354	517
Sinks, Stainless Steel	"	4,160	5,362	5,744	5,934	4,621	3,770	5,707	5,869	4,326	6,098
PEDAL CYCLES: (made and/or assembled)	"	n.a.	3,874	2,348	2,149	4,720	1,334	2,419	5,274	1,585	1,915
FLOOR COVERINGS:											
Wool Felt & Carpets	'000 sq.yds.	132	137	192	148	111	83	161	189	84	191

(a) Figures prior to 1951-52 do not include mattresses made and incorporated in stretchers and folding beds.

(b) Figures include all motors made and incorporated in other products of the manufacturers.

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COTTON SEWING THREAD: (counts over 12)	lb.	45,695	64,461	69,657	53,549	39,363	38,656	55,974	49,004	40,251	65,802
COTTON TEXTILES: Cotton Tweeds	sq.yd.	80,017	81,702	80,705	51,270	19,785	21,137	36,119	75,339	55,963	89,278
Drills, Jeans, etc.	"	244,296	220,175	298,027	285,126	192,209	182,464	255,078	355,246	252,171	348,974
WOOL: Scoured and carbonised wool	'000 lb.	5,492	4,679	3,973	4,059	3,940	3,488	4,174	4,321	3,913	4,027
Wool Tops	"	1,132	1,100	792	861	630	574	931	997	565	1,050
Yarn - Worsted	"	1,055	990	775	858	763	578	941	937	679	1,143
Woollen	"	1,188	1,121	863	812	677	547	914	881	636	1,024
WOOL TEXTILES: Woven Cloth - Worsted	'000 sq.yds.	663	671	528	487	400	324	516	495	407	552
Woollen	"	826	702	564	590	578	459	737	604	450	699
Other (a)	"	211	234	127	167	146	125	189	183	160	211
Blankets	number	89,181	98,667	64,046	43,537	28,583	20,780	43,549	40,852	29,783	44,954
Rugs	"	5,857	5,536	3,652	4,043	1,514	1,164	2,361	3,444	2,608	5,003
HOSIERY: Women's, Maids' & Girls'											
Full-Fashioned	doz.pr.	79,907	84,462	90,772	108,938	98,528	65,268	105,046	112,114	86,002	115,112
Circular	"	7,173	7,041	5,178	8,725	5,874	4,867	10,923	9,256	7,747	13,087
Anklelets	"	23,321	24,391	21,018	29,057	26,832	18,933	29,976	42,509	24,677	40,935
Men's & Boys'	"	80,459	103,649	96,302	107,792	98,646	69,507	110,108	116,256	85,748	114,259
Children's	"	38,399	34,034	31,096	27,891	24,640	16,415	30,954	32,674	22,673	35,328
KNITTED UNDERWEAR (b): Men's and Boys'	doz.	121,486	136,674	48,286	38,772	31,756	23,536	33,130	43,964	34,608	49,324
Women's & Girls'	"			92,352	74,047	66,740	48,009	71,343	88,951	64,133	93,125
Infants' & Babywear	"			2,177	1,677	1,396	1,188	2,168	1,710	1,707	3,085
FOUNDATION GARMENTS: Corsets	"	3,581	4,686	4,703	5,393	5,912	3,038	5,256	7,105	4,235	6,794
Corselets	"	627	440	542	308	202	183	366	315	201	255
Brassieres	"	13,525	15,887	17,290	13,903	10,680	8,891	14,752	16,966	13,033	19,021
CLOTHING (except knitted):											
Shirts - Men's and Boys'	"	25,888	26,585	29,297	23,886	21,947	7,900	20,892	36,774	14,656	29,447
Pyjama Suits - Men's and Boys'	"	6,496	5,471	6,442	5,312	3,086	2,650	6,564	6,144	3,684	7,066
GLOVES (not rubber): Dress - Leather	doz.pr.	2,268	1,792	1,087	1,718	1,309	1,213	1,836	453	318	464
Other	"	2,154	2,889	3,003	4,191	4,003	2,652	3,923	6,089	3,881	4,499
Work	"	1,204	1,209	1,710	1,231	936	635	1,290	1,524	884	1,630
FOOTWEAR (not rubber): Boots & Shoes	'000 pr.	604	678	663	647	523	386	617	588	426	628
Sandals	"	64	80	65	39	46	19	23	135	65	70
Slippers	"	356	355	309	282	211	216	291	287	185	363
FUR FELT HATS (Complete): Men's and Boys'	doz.	3,613	3,420	2,783	2,284	2,280	1,382	2,018	2,062	1,062	2,112

(a) Includes Worsted and Woollen Mixtures and other mixtures predominantly of Wool.

(b) Made in knitting mills until June 1952. Thereafter includes underwear made from knitted piece goods.

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		Year				1952	1953			1954	
		1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
FOOD, DRINK & TOBACCO:											
Flour (from Wheat)	short ton	37,315	37,407	46,600	49,226	45,113	49,776	45,622	31,777	33,134	32,089
Bran (from Wheat)	"	7,466	7,259	9,136	9,334	8,775	9,375	8,779	5,636	6,029	6,689
Pollard (from Wheat)	"	7,658	7,424	9,336	10,515	10,204	11,151	9,630	6,644	6,607	6,740
Biscuits	'000 lb.	2,786	2,818	3,327	3,151	3,141	2,135	3,430	3,401	2,257	3,268
Confectionery - Chocolate Basis	"	2,666	2,221	1,898	1,755	1,001	997	1,437	1,520	1,097	1,560
Other	"	2,128	2,100	2,317	2,244	1,854	1,584	2,054	2,317	1,390	2,044
Beef and Veal	ton	10,384	11,384	11,437	10,177	9,748	9,383	r 10,068	11,244	11,317	11,963
Lamb	"	5,582	3,917	3,686	4,914	9,620	4,133	r 2,946	7,754	5,133	2,978
Mutton	"	6,773	4,670	5,396	7,689	11,069	11,204	r 11,292	9,937	10,445	10,134
Pork	"	554	633	726	583	1,108	492	r 526	1,074	533	583
Bacon & Ham (Cured Weight) (a)	"	661	659	747	678	880	531	584	737	517	509
Total Meat (in terms of fresh) (a)	"	24,401	21,500	22,261	24,332	33,126	25,956	r 25,649	31,011	28,131	26,350
Butter (factory only)	"	5,249	4,832	4,936	4,772	8,439	6,755	4,808	9,299	6,854	5,332
Cheese (factory only)	"	1,766	1,881	1,853	1,876	3,502	2,745	1,804	4,083	2,907	2,018
Processed Milk Products -											
Condensed Full-Cream Milk - Sweetened	'000 lb.	7,076	6,796	7,358	6,231	12,627	8,658	5,488	11,119	6,015	4,616
Unsweetened	"				1,657	2,486	1,827	1,463	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Powdered Full-Cream Milk	"	2,803	2,165	2,232	2,221	4,159	2,893	1,751	3,491	2,683	2,021
Other Processed Wholemilk Products (b)	"	1,289	1,799	1,978	1,435	1,995	2,387	1,852	3,569	3,469	2,403
Ice Cream	'000 gals.	328	429	407	342	570	628	517	625	688	458
Beer (including Waste Beer)	"	4,143	4,434	4,706	5,056	6,293	6,057	5,462	6,838	6,236	4,353
Oatmeal & Rolled or Crushed Oats	cwt.	15,128	13,478	10,273	13,171	8,179	7,902	r 15,007	10,468	10,872	17,183
Prepared Breakfast Foods (from Wheat)	"	12,222	11,018	11,674	11,314	11,689	10,105	12,646	11,998	9,010	11,285
Edible Starch (Maize and Wheat)	"	7,997	7,799	8,237	7,053	6,195	5,756	7,839	7,677	8,095	9,021
Margarine - Table	"	1,569	886	1,308	1,465	1,201	674	601	1,562	1,014	1,216
Other	"	6,926	5,507	6,973	5,506	4,543	3,219	4,105	4,235	2,389	5,116
Malt - Barley & Wheaten	'000 (c)	307	309	327	347	327	303	291	361	288	319
Jams, Conserves & Jellies (d)	'000 lb.	5,917	5,848	4,827	3,401	3,662	10,716	7,018	2,271	8,878	8,902
Canned Apricots, Peaches, Pears (d)	"	7,954	8,511	10,368	9,273	563	12,513	22,087	653	21,859	29,694
Green Peas	"	225	282	383	239	1,748	70	n.a.	1,434	..	n.a.
Tomatoes	"	377	237	403	194	..	n.a.	750	71
Other Vegetables	"	1,572	2,355	2,615	1,002	1,026	699	482	1,227	688	711
Tomato Juice	'000 gals.	34	13	50	101	n.a.	319	398	..	3	158
Sauce	"	136	130	134	111	76	65	224	88	65	105
Soup	"	176	206	266	154	15	51	402	115	n.a.	377
Tobacco, Cigars & Cigarettes	'000 lb.	869	914	1,004	981	913	926	1,051	992	973	

(a) From February, 1953 onwards, pressed and canned bacon and ham have been converted to bone-in weight.

(b) Includes Infants' and Invalids' Food. (c) Bushels of 40 lb. (d) Includes Tasmanian Production.